House Resolution No. 3318

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Whereas, as the 2007-2008 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Greenville R-II School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty on July 1, 2008, with the retirement of Rita Ann Eads who has devoted several years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as an educator; and

Whereas, Rita Eads has taught for twenty-five years at Greenville R-II, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Rita Eads has touched the lives of countless youngsters by helping them form a solid educational foundation upon which to build in the future; and

Whereas, Rita Eads has watched her pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge she has imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

Whereas, Rita Eads has supported her profession as a member of the Missouri State Teachers Association, the Greenville Community Teachers Association, the Parent Teacher Organization, the Lost Creek Reading Council, and the International Reading Association; and

Whereas, Rita Eads has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Mark Eads; her parents, Russel and Shirley Birdsong; one brother and sister-in-law, Travis and Remia Birdsong; and two nephews, Cody and Randy Birdsong:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join the Greenville R-II School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Rita Eads has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Rita Ann Eads, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by Speaker Rod Jetton District No. 156

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3318, adopted May 29, 2008.